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14 February 1951

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Personnel

SUBJECT: NIS Personnel

1. At the last meeting of the Intelligence Advisory Committee General Smith undertook to have CIA investigate the possibility of assisting the military services, particularly the Army, to obtain the numbers of skilled people they need to meet their part of the production schedule for the National Intelligence Surveys.

2. General Bolling had pointed out that the Army had authorization and money for 141 people for the NIS program, but had not been able to find and hire more than 61. If the proposed increase in production rate from 8 to 15 NIS per year were to be approved and put into effect, the Army would need 194 people over and above the 141 already authorized.

3. General Bolling suggested that because CIA had special funds and facilities and particularly because CIA was excepted from the normal Civil Service limitations, it might be possible to make some arrangement which would assist the Army in putting the needed numbers of qualified personnel to work on the NIS program.

4. Would you please investigate what can be done in this regard and communicate directly with Mr. Millikan, Assistant Director of Research and Reports, as soon as possible, having in mind the desire of the IAC to reconsider the NIS program about 1 March 1951?

5. The following comments are added for your background information:

a. General Smith asked the three services if they had carefully screened the talents available to them in their reserves, and the answers were not entirely clear. The Navy was having difficulty, which they thought could in time be overcome, because of the policy that reserves were needed to build up the fleet and should not be recalled at this point for use in shore establishments.

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b. There was general agreement with Mr. Millikan's comment that the total U. S. supply of people with the kinds of training needed was very limited and that whether working for the Government or the universities, there would not be enough to go around.

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